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the grantee and approval in writing by the ADO. In such cases the extension will not normally exceed 12 months, the phase I award will still be limited to the approved award amount, and the submission of a Phase II proposal will be delayed by one year. The extension allows the grantee to continue expending the remaining Federal funds for the intended purpose over the extension period. In instances where no Federal funds remain, it is unnecessary to approve an extension since the purpose of the extension is to continue using Federal funds. The grantee may opt to continue the Phase I project after the grant's termination and closeout, however, the grantee would have to do so without additional Federal funds. In the latter case, no communication with USDA is necessary. However, the maximum delay for submission of a Phase II proposal remains as specified §3403.4(b).

- (d) Changes in approved budget. Changes in an approved budget shall be requested by the grantee and approved in writing by the ADO prior to instituting such changes if the revision will:
- (1) Involve transfers of amounts budgeted for indirect costs to absorb an increase in direct costs;
- (2) Involve transfers of amounts budgeted for direct costs to accommodate changes in indirect cost rates negotiated during a budget period and not approved when a grant was awarded;
- (3) Result in a need or claim for the award of additional funds; or
- (4) Involve transfers or expenditures of amounts requiring prior approval as set forth in the Departmental regulations or in the grant award.

§ 3403.15 Other Federal statutes and regulations that apply.

Several other Federal statutes and/or regulations apply to grant proposals considered for review or to research project grants awarded under this part. These include but are not limited to:

- 7 CFR Part 1—USDA implementation of Freedom of Information Act.
- 7 CFR Part 1c—USDA implementation of the Federal Policy for the Protection of Human Subjects;
- 7 CFR Part 3—USDA implementation of OMB Circular A-129, Managing Federal Credit Programs.

7 CFR Part 15, Subpart A—USDA implementation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended.

7 CFR Part 3015—USDA Uniform Federal Assistance Regulations, implementing OMB directives where applicable (i.e., Circular Nos. A-102, A-110, A-87, A-21, and A-122) and incorporating the Federal Grant and Cooperative Agreement Act of 1977, Pub. L. 95–224), as well as general policy requirements applicable to recipients of Departmental financial assistance.

7 CFR Part 3017, as amended—USDA implementation of Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement) and Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-free Workplace (Grants), as amended.

7 CFR Part 3018—USDA implementation of New Restrictions on Lobbying. Imposes new prohibitions and requirements for disclosure and certification related to lobbying on recipients of Federal contracts, grants, cooperative agreements, and loans.

7 CFR Part 3407—CSREES procedures to implement the National Environmental Policy Act;

9 CFR Parts 1, 2, 3, and 4—USDA implementation of the Act of August 24, 1966, Public Law 89-544, as amended (commonly known as the Laboratory Animal Welfare Act)

48 CFR Part 31—Contract Cost Principles and Procedures of the Federal Acquisition Regulation.

29 U.S.C. 794, section 504—Rehabiliation Act of 1973, and 7 CFR Part 15B (USDA implementation of statute), prohibiting discrimination based upon physical or mental handicap in Federally assisted programs.

35 U.S.C. 200 et seq.—Bayh-Dole Act, controlling allocation of rights to inventions made by employees of small business firms and domestic nonprofit organizations, including universities, in Federally assisted programs (implementing regulations are contained in 37 CFR Part 401).

$\S 3403.16$ Other conditions.

The Department may, with respect to any research project grant, impose additional conditions prior to or at the time of any award when, in the Department's judgment, such conditions are necessary to assure or protect advancement of the approved project, the interests of the public, or the conservation of grant funds.

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§ 3404.1 General statement.

This part is issued in accordance with the regulations of the Secretary of Agriculture in part 1, subpart A of this title, implementing the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 U.S.C. 552). The Secretary's regulations, as implemented by the regulations in this part, govern the availability of records of the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service to the public.

§ 3404.2 Public inspection, copying, and indexing.

5 U.S.C. 552(a)(2) requires that certain materials be made available for public inspection and copying and that a current index of these materials be published quarterly or otherwise be made available. Members of the public may request access to such materials maintained by CSREES at the following office: Information Staff, Agricultural Research Service, USDA, 6303 Ivy Lane, Room 456, Greenbelt, MD 20770; Telephone (301) 344-2207. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

§3404.3 Requests for records.

Requests for records of CSREES under 5 U.S.C. 552(a)(3) shall be made in accordance with §1.6 of this title and submitted to the FOIA Coordinator at the following address: Information Staff, Agricultural Research Service, USDA, 6303 Ivy Lane, Room 456, Greenbelt, MD 20770; Telephone (301) 344-2207; Facsimile (301) 344-2325; TDD (301) 344-2435. The FOIA Coordinator is delegated authority to make determinations regarding such requests in accordance with §1.3(a)(3) of this title.

§3404.4 Denials.

If the FOIA Coordinator determines that a requested record is exempt from mandatory disclosure and that discretionary release would be improper, the

FOIA Coordinator shall give written notice of denial in accordance with §1.8(a) of this title.

§ 3404.5 Appeals.

Any person whose request is denied shall have the right to appeal such denial. Appeals shall be made in accordance with §1.6(e) of this title and should be addressed as follows: Administrator, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, DC 20250.

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